

# **Dynamometer Study of Off-Cycle Exhaust Emissions**

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# **Objective**

To characterize the impact of off-cycle driving on mass exhaust emissions, toxics, and reactivity as a function of fuel composition for gasoline, M85 (85% methanol [MeOH]), E85 (85% ethanol [EtOH]), and compressed natural gas (CNG) vehicles.

## Approach

Seven gasoline vehicles, three flexible fuel vehicles (FFVs) calibrated for MeOH up to M85, three FFVs calibrated for EtOH up to E85, and three dedicated CNG vehicles will be tested with several fuels. An industry average gasoline



Vehicle emissions bag sampling system

(IAG), a California Phase 2 reformulated gasoline (RFG), two M85 blends, two M10 (10% MeOH, 90% gasoline) blends, one E85 blend, and four CNG blends will be tested in the vehicles. Exhaust emission tests will be run on a 48-inch chassis dynamometer using a "four-bag cycle" proposed by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Tailpipe mass emissions and species will be measured with each vehicle/fuel combination.

# **Accomplishments**

All tests except those with the E85 vehicles have been completed and data analysis has begun. The remaining testing will be completed during first quarter 1995.

#### **Future Direction**

Results from this study will be used to improve ambient air quality models.

### **Publications**

Peltier, R.J. and R.A. Gorse, Jr. 1993. "Dynamometer Study of Off-Cycle Emissions," presented at the Contractors Coordination Meeting, Detroit, MI. October.

Gorse, R.A. Jr. 1995. "U.S. Auto/Oil Off-Cycle Emissions Program," presented at the CRC Fifth On-Road Vehicle Emissions Workshop, San Diego, CA. April.